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Filed:	July 19, 2005	Examiner:	Jerry L. Cumberledge
For:	DEVICE FOR DYNAMICALLY STABILIZING BONES OR BONE FRAGMENTS, ESPECIALLY THORACIC VERTEBRAL BODIES	Attorney Docket:	8932-1208-999

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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed September 1, 2006, please amend the
above-identified patent application as follows:

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION begin on page 2.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on
page 6.

REMARKS begin on page 10.

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